

HOUSE BILL 2413

By Fitzhugh

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 2, Part 2, relative to courts of general sessions in counties having a population of not less than fourteen thousand five hundred (14,500) nor more than fourteen thousand six hundred (14,600) according to the 2000 federal census of population or any subsequent federal census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-2-208, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following new subsection (b):

(b) In counties having a population of not less than fourteen thousand five hundred (14,500) nor more than fourteen thousand six hundred (14,600) according to the federal census of 2000, or any subsequent federal census, the judges of the court of general sessions shall be authorized, upon request, to sit by interchange with any circuit, criminal or any other court of general jurisdiction in matters of both law and equity, provided the general sessions judge sitting by interchange shall have the same qualifications required of the trial court judge for whom the general sessions judge sits.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Crockett County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Crockett County legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.